# Notice of Public Meeting of a Public Body

# DRAFT MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 12, 2013 PUBLIC MEETING OF THE ARIZONA NATURAL RESOURCES REVIEW COUNCIL

# 1. Call to Order- Welcome and Introductions

Chairman Larry Voyles called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and welcomed the Council to the public meeting of the Natural Resources Review Council. Council members in attendance included:

- AZ Department of Transportation (ADOT) Floyd Roehrich
- AZ State Land Department (ASLD) Vanessa Hickman
- AZ Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) -Henry Darwin
- AZ Department of Water Resources (ADWR) Sandy Fabritz-Whitney
- AZ State Forester (ASF) -Scott Hunt
- AZ Geological Survey (AGS) Lee Allison
- AZ Department of Agriculture (ADA) Don Butler
- AZ State Parks (ASP) Bryan Martin

Others Present in Support of the Council: Governor's Office – Kevin Kinsall AGFD – Bob Broscheid

#### 2. Review Agenda

No requests for changes to the agenda were identified by the Council.

# 3. Council Update on Subcommittee Work

Chairman Voyles reviewed the purpose behind the creation of subcommittees as a result of Governor Brewer's Executive Order. He summarized that the intent is to develop a Natural Resource vision for the state of Arizona that balances economic and conservation needs.

# **Geographic Information System Subcommittee (Lee Allison)**

Director Allison briefed the Council on the purpose of the Subcommittee (SC) and the recent joint meeting with the Clearinghouse SC. The GIS SC continues to develop the work plan with input from each state agency and should have it completed by August 23. The GIS SC will focus its efforts on creating the GIS module platform since many members expressed concern for developing an overarching decision support system at this time. The Council discussed this issue and indicated its support, but not to lose focus on creating the overarching system.

# Clearinghouse Development Subcommittee (B. Broscheid)

Mr. Broscheid provided the proposed Gantt chart for SC deliverables and discussed the approaches outlined in the handout. The Clearinghouse SC will focus its efforts on developing a module, consistent with the Council's previous direction on end-user requirements. Since this effort will require more Information Systems expertise, the SC is requesting approval to establish a working group to begin developing the module. In discussions with the Governor's Office, the Office of Strategic Planning and Budget will be the Single-Point-of-Contact as required under the Presidential Order. The Council requested the addition of a demonstration time to the Council on a pilot document review process.

## Planning Subcommittee (S. Fabritz-Whitney/Scott Hunt)

Mr. Broscheid, at the request of the Co-Chairs, reviewed the deliverables and timeline in the Gantt chart for the SC. The process for selecting and approving the grant, as described in HB2001, was discussed. The Council indicated its preference for selecting the most efficient and transparent process for awarding the grant. Director Hunt and Mr. Broscheid indicated that the timelines will likely be adjusted to ensure more timely completion, but that future meetings with the Counties and County Organizations will occur in the near future to further define expectations and timelines.

## Mitigation and Conservation Banking Subcommittee (Tim Wade)

Mr. Wade briefed the Council on the recent meeting with several individuals arranged has met many times since the last meeting. Several individuals discussed their states' mitigation programs and issues they feel were relevant to Arizona. It was mentioned that mitigation banks are preferred over ILF programs by the regulators since restoration or enhancement credits cannot be sold until the project is completed and there is a defined function and value to the project as defined by the Army Corps of Engineers. However, ILF programs are preferred due to the lower cost of the credits and in Arizona, the availability of various sites across the state. It was stated that ILF programs are used extensively in Arizona by the Arizona Department of Transportation and homebuilders.

## **Engagement and Partnering Subcommittee (B. Broscheid)**

Mr. Broscheid reviewed the purpose of the SC and presented the proposed deliverables and timeline for Council discussion. The SC intends to use the presentation as a basis for crafting messages to various stakeholders and audiences. This will include regulated groups, private landowners, stakeholders, and regulators. Mr. Broscheid was then allowed to show the draft presentation to the Council for their review.

#### 4. Draft Presentation on the Purpose and Intent of the Council

Mr. Broscheid gave a PowerPoint presentation detailing the overall purpose of the Council. The slides used will serve as a basis to be expanded upon for the creation of multiple messages. The Engagement and Partnering Subcommittees will be able to tailor the presentation in order to satisfy the particular group of stakeholders/audience they are presenting to. The Council voiced their approval of the presentation and Mr. Broscheid will email the PowerPoint to all the Council members for further comment. Chairman Voyles voiced his approval but asked that a process for "information-in" be created in order to complement the presentation.

#### 5. Call to the Public

No comments were made by the Public.

#### 6. Review Action Items/Future Agenda Items

The following action items and future agenda items were identified:

- 1) The GIS and Clearinghouse SC will further meet over the issues they face; primarily those dealing with funding. (B. Broscheid and L. Allison)
- 2) The GIS and Clearinghouse SC will look into the process on how the state can work with the Feds to meet the state's digital requirements. (B. Broscheid and L. Allison)
- 3) Post data integration plan to the website as a draft. (B. Broscheid)
- Look for an additional process for information-in regarding the overview presentation.
  (B. Broscheid)

- 5) Email the overview presentation to the Council. (B. Broscheid)
- 6) GIS SC needs to make recommendations for the right expertise that they need. (L. Allison)
- 7) <u>FUTURE AGENDA ITEM:</u> Planning SC will present their work plan and GANT timeline regarding HB 2001. **(B. Broscheid and S. Fabritz-Whitney)**
- 8) <u>FUTURE AGENDA ITEM:</u> Each SC will bring their GANT charts to the next meeting for discussion.

## 7. Adjourn

The Council adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:30 pm.

Future meeting Dates (All meetings are scheduled from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm)

# **August 12, 2013**

Governor's Executive Tower 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room 1700 West Washington Street Phoenix, AZ 85007

#### **September 30, 2013**

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#### October 21, 2013

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